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AMOI NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

MARVELLOUS WEATHER.

Amoy, September 5.
Seldom have we been favoured with such a fine August: no typhoon signals for a month, and uninterrupted sunny weather, with rain at rare intervals. Indeed, we need rain, for our wells show signs of giving out, and unless some heavy rain falls in this month or next, we may have to face a water famine during the winter. Even the usual monsoon has fallen light, and we have far less wind than we ought to have so that the heat in the daytime is intense, and at night too the atmosphere is stifling and breathless. Surely we cannot go on much longer without a change in the weather, and without having some welcome cloudy days and heavy rain.

THE HEALTH OF THE PORT.

Luckily the fine weather is responsible for the good health of the port, for there is so far an absence of serious diseases both among foreigners and Chinese. The plague has passed us by, and the embargo against us by Hongkong and Singapore, etc., is now once again removed. There has been less plague among the Chinese this year than for a great many years past, so let us hope its virulence is over, and we may look for a cycle of years with less and less plague. Other epidemic diseases, such as cholera and dysentery, are conspicuous by their absence this year, unlike last year when they carried off such large numbers. So the large amount of sunshine and the lack of rain have been most beneficial. Should no floods come this autumn, there is every hope of a bumper crop of rice, while other produce such as sugar-cane, indigo, sweet-potatoes, etc., are also likely to yield above the average.

BUILDING ACTIVITY.

Kulangau is still showing the marks of much building activity, for not only are houses in foreign style going up rapidly, but many are being built for the Chinese also. To provide for the foundations and other parts of these houses much stone is needed, and the large granite rocks that are such a conspicuous feature of the landscape on Kulangau are being demolished to provide the necessary stone. Certainly the Amoy granite is a magnificent building material, and there are hundreds of less favoured places that would be mightily glad to obtain such hard fine-looking stone for their houses. To anyone who visits the island after an interval of five or ten years, the change in the appearance of the landscape is simply astonishing. Even in the short time since it became an International Settlement a score or more of foreign houses have been built, and more are projected, and many of these new houses are now inhabited by Chinese, while many older houses have been bought by rich Chinamen for their own use.

AMOI CITY.

There was a time when the city of Amoy was called the "dirtiest" in China, though even in those days I fancy the epithet was not wholly deserved, since there must have been other cities at least as dirty. But the improvement during the past few years is immense, thanks to the greater care in supervision taken by the more recent Mandarins. There is an adequate police force in suitable uniform: a head of scavengers daily at work: the streets are made wider by the removal of shop obstructions: and generally speaking it is not such a purgatorial punishment as it once was to walk through the streets. I dare say there are still out of the way corners where modern progress has not yet penetrated, and where garbage and dirt still reign supreme; but certainly the main streets are cleaner than ever before. A number of new shops have been opened, and look quite bright and clean and attractive. Doubtless the number of people returning from the Straits to live here is increasing, and this will help to modernise the appearance of things.

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